

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

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Waivers of State Board of Education Policies and Regulations, Superintendent's Interpretations and State Statutes and Legislative Rules (Action)

Purpose

This item recommends action on one waiver request to approve the addition of a Financial Algebra course to the elective math course options for all high school students in Wood County high schools.

Recommended for approval is the one request for waiver of State Board policy.

(a) I respectfully recommend the following request for waiver of State Board policy be approved.

Wood County Schools (Waiver #1405) requests a waiver of Policy 2510, Assuring the Quality of Education, Regulations for Education Programs, Section 5.4.a. for all county high schools which will permit the addition of the course Financial Algebra to its math elective offerings.

Wood County Schools has developed college and career ready standards for the Financial Algebra course in collaboration with the WVDE. The West Virginia Board of Education has previously approved waivers for five other county school systems to implement this same course.

Wood County school system is aware that NCAA colleges/universities may not accept Financial Algebra as a course applicable to college admission and will notify students of this possibility. The West Virginia Department of Education and the Higher Education Policy Commission are currently working to resolve this potential obstacle for West Virginia students.